

MURRAY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday, July 8, 2015

Board Members in Attendance

Morgan Selph
Bob Vanbibber
Dani Murakami
Dana Dimitrich
Doug Hill

The Parks & Recreation Board Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Dana Dimitrich.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dani Murakami made a motion to approve the April 8 minutes. Bob Vanbibber seconded. Motion was unanimous.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No Citizens

DISCUSS FISCAL YEAR 2016 PROJECTS

Doug reviewed the fiscal year 2016 budget with the board. He informed them that the Mayor recommended to the council to increase the sales tax by a tenth of 1% starting on October 1st which should generate approximately \$2.5 million to the City. The council approved. The Mayor has recommended a number of projects of which many of them are Parks & Recreation projects. Some of the projects include repaving some of the paths in the park, softball field bleacher railings, concrete repairs, playground fall materials, picnic table replacement, vita course upgrade, armory building master plan, restroom remodel, playgrounds, mowers, pool bleachers, auto flush features (PC), pool deck replacement, Park Center filter system, ac unit, fitness equipment, amphitheater parking lights, heritage center flooring, shade structures, restrooms, trail system, pickle ball courts. Doug asked the board their opinion on if they thought that having the vita course spread out with different stations or grouped together in one area was better? The board liked the grouping idea the best. He also showed the board some examples of the shade structures that they are going to put up in the park and asked their opinion on colors etc. They thought that going with more earth toned colors would be best.

DISCUSS MURRAY PARK AMPHITHEATER UPGRADE STUDY

Doug explained that the amphitheater was built in 1984 and has a lot of issues with it right now, so the City hired an architectural firm to come in and assess the amphitheater and make some recommendations on how to renovate it and make it more functional. They suggest changing the direction of the entrance, adding more restrooms so the cast has their own, a roof, a new control booth, etc. The board liked the suggestions.

DISCUSS PLACING RECYCLING CANS IN CITY PARKS

Doug informed the board that the City's garbage collecting bid is expiring, which means they are up for a new bid. A member of the council has suggested adding in recycling bins in the parks. The downside to this is that if anything is put into the can that is contaminated, then the whole can/load gets contaminated. The way around that is that someone walks along and checks the bin before it is dumped. This of course comes with a cost, which would be added onto the resident's garbage fees. They are unsure of costs at this time. He asked the board what their thoughts were. A board member suggested doing a pilot program to test it out and see if it works. Another suggested having just one black can and adding one recycle can for each resident rather than putting them in the parks. Another member thinks that the perception that Murray City would give of trying to go green would outweigh everything else. Someone else suggested adding in refill water bottle stations to suggest reusing their bottles instead of offering a place for them to throw away more.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Doug reported that the 4th of July celebration went well.

QUESTIONS

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Morgan Selph made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Vanbibber seconded that motion. Motion was unanimous and meeting adjourned.